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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Please add new claim 39.

1. (Original) A sleeping compartment (10) for a truck having a cab mounted on a chassis frame, said sleeping compartment comprising  
a floor (20) with lateral portions and a pair of sidewalls (22) extending upwardly from said lateral portions of said floor;  
a seat (60) mounted on one of said sidewalls and including a seat back (64) fixed to said one sidewall and a seat bottom (66) moveable from a substantially vertical stowed position adjacent said one sidewall and a substantially horizontal deployed position projecting from said one sidewall; and  
a seat support (34) mounted on said floor and movable from a stowed position substantially flush with said floor to a deployed position protruding upwardly from said floor to support said seat bottom in said deployed position.
2. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 1, wherein said seat support (34) includes a panel hinged to said floor, and wherein a corresponding outboard portion (30) of said floor extends downwardly from said panel to define a storage space (32) beneath said panel.
3. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 2, further comprising a first access opening (33) in an exterior of said one sidewall (22) in communication with said storage space (32).
4. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 3, further comprising a storage bin (36) disposed in said storage space (32) and accessible from outside said compartment via

said access opening (33) in said one sidewall.

5. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 3, wherein said seat bottom (66) and said support (34) define additional space (80) above said outboard storage space (32) when deployed, and further comprising an access panel (62) mounted over a second access opening in an exterior of said sidewall at a location corresponding to said additional space, said access panel being moveable between a closed position covering said second access opening and an open position exposing said second access opening to provide access to the additional space.

6. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 5, wherein said first and second access openings (33) are contiguous.

7. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 2, wherein a third access opening (50) is formed through said panel (34) and further comprising a secondary panel (52) moveable between a closed position covering said third access opening and an open position permitting access to said storage space (32) through said third access opening.

8. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 7, and further comprising a linkage (70) connecting said seat bottom (66) and said panel (34) such that said seat bottom and said panel move together between said stowed and deployed positions.

9. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 8, wherein said linkage (70) includes an arm (72) with a slot (76) extending between said seat bottom and said panel, and a slide (78) mounted on one of said seat bottom (66) and said panel (34) and disposed within said slot.

10. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 1, further comprising a rear assembly (16, 86, 86', 86'') connected to rear edges of said floor and said sidewalls.

11. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 10, wherein said rear assembly

includes at least one of a bed (96, 96'), a table (98, 98'), and a cabinet (94, 94', 104, 106).

12. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 10, wherein said rear assembly includes a bed (96, 96') mounted on said rear assembly for movement between a substantially vertical stowed position adjacent said rear assembly and a substantially horizontal extended position projecting from said rear assembly.

13. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 12, further comprising a table (98, 98') mounted on a bottom surface of said bed (96, 96') for movement between a stowed position against said bottom surface and a substantially horizontal extended position projecting from said bottom surface when said bed is stowed.

14. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 10, wherein said rear assembly includes a table (98, 98') mounted on said rear wall assembly for movement between a substantially vertical stowed position adjacent said rear wall assembly and a substantially horizontal extended position projecting from said rear wall assembly.

15. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 14, wherein said table (98, 98') includes plural table portions (100, 100') which are independently moveable between stowed and extended positions.

16. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 15, wherein said table portions (100, 100') include curved edges opposing one another when the table portions are both in stowed or 3 extended positions.

17. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 11, wherein said floor (20), side walls (22, 22', 22"), and seat (60) are part of a first module (14, 14', 14"), said rear assembly is part of a second module (16, 86, 86', 86"), and said first and second modules are manufactured separately and joined together to form said sleeping compartment (10).

18. (Original) A sleeping compartment (10) for a truck having a cab mounted on a frame chassis, said sleeping compartment comprising  
a floor (20) with lateral edges;  
a pair of sidewalls (22, 22', 22") extending upwardly from said lateral edges of said floor;  
a rear wall assembly (86, 86', 86") connected to an aft end of said floor and sidewalls;  
a bed (96, 96') with a sleeping surface mounted on said rear wall assembly for movement between a stowed position where said sleeping surface is oriented vertically and a deployed position where said sleeping surface is oriented horizontally.

19. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 18, further comprising a table (98, 98') mounted on a bottom surface of said bed (96, 96") for movement between a stowed position against said bottom surface and a substantially horizontal extended position projecting from said bottom surface when said bed is stowed.

20. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 19, wherein said table (98, 98') includes plural table portions (100, 1 DO') which are independently moveable between stowed and extended positions.

21. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 20, wherein said table portions (100, 100'), include curved edges opposing one another when said table portions are both stowed or 3 extended.

22. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 18 wherein said floor (20) and sidewalls (22, 22', 22") constitute a first module (14, 14', 14", 114), said rear wall assembly and bed (96, 96') constitute a second module (86, 86', 86"), and wherein said modules are manufactured separately and connected together to form a unitary sleeping compartment (10).

23. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 22, further comprising a seat (60) with a seat back (64) and a seat bottom (66) disposed in said first module, wherein said bed

rests on said seat bottom in said deployed position.

24. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 22, further comprising a seat (60) with a seat back (64) and a seat bottom (66) disposed in said first module, wherein said seat bottom is disposed laterally adjacent said bed (96, 96') in said deployed position to effectively increase a useable width of said bed.

25. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 22 wherein said bed (96, 96') has a length and a width, said length being larger than said width, and said bed being oriented lengthwise across said rear module (86, 86', 86") in perpendicular relation to a longitudinal axis of said compartment.

26. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 25 wherein said first module (14, 14', 14", 114) is at least as long as said bed (96, 96') is wide to prevent said bed from extending forwardly of said first module in said deployed position.

27. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 22 wherein said bed (96, 96') has a length greater than a width, said bed being oriented lengthwise along a longitudinal axis of said truck.

28. (Original) The sleeping compartment of claim 27 wherein said first module (14, 14', 14") has a length shorter than said bed (96, 96'), and further comprising a second module (14, 14', 14") similar to said first module connected to said first module, such that said bed extends through said first module into said second module in said deployed position.

29. (Original) A method of fabricating a sleeping compartment (10) for a truck, said method comprising the steps of  
assembling at least one of a first type of module (14, 14', 14", 114) having a floor (20) with lateral edges and a pair of sidewalls (22, 22', 22") extending upwardly from the lateral

edges of the floor;

assembling a second type of module (86, 86', 86") having a rear wall assembly with a bed (96, 96') mounted thereon so as to be moveable between a stowed position wherein the sleeping surface is oriented generally vertically and a deployed position wherein the sleeping surface is oriented generally horizontally; and

attaching a module of the first type to the forward end of a module of the second type to form a unitary sleeping compartment (10) for placement aft of the truck cabin.

30. (Original) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of attaching a plurality of modules of the first type (14, 14', 14", 114) to one another.

31. (Original) A method of manufacturing a truck comprising the steps of separately assembling a plurality of modules of at least two types including a first type (14, 14', 14", 114) having a floor (20) and sidewalls (22, 22', 22") extending upwardly from lateral edges of the floor, and a second type (86, 86', 86") having a bed (96, 96') mounted on a wall assembly;

selecting a combination of assembled modules including at least one of said first type and one of said second type;

arranging the selected modules end-to-end along a longitudinal axis of said truck aft of the cab such that one of said second type is disposed aft of one of said first type; and

connecting the selected modules together to form a unitary sleeping compartment (10).

32. (Original) The method of claim 31 wherein the first type of module further includes a seat (60) having a seat bottom (66) mounted to one of the sidewalls (22, 22', 22") for movement between a stowed position and an extended position.

33. (Original) The method of claim 32 wherein the first type of module further includes a support panel (34) mounted on the floor (20) for movement between a stowed position flush with the floor and an extended position supporting the seat bottom.

34. (Original) The method of claim 33 wherein the first type of module further includes a storage space (32) defined under the support panel (34) and accessible from outside the module for storing items.

35. (Original) The method of claim 34 wherein the first type of module further includes a bin (36) disposed within the space (32) beneath the support panel (34).

36. (Original) The method of claim 31 wherein the bed (96, 96') in the second type of module is movable between a stowed position and an extended position.

37. (Original) The method of claim 36 wherein the second type of module further includes a table (98, 98') mounted on a bottom surface of the bed (96, 96') for movement between a stowed position and an extended position when the bed is stowed.

38. (Original) The method of claim 37 wherein the second type of module further includes at least one cabinet (94, 94', 104, 106).

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39 (New). A sleeping compartment (10) for a truck having a cab mounted on a chassis frame, said sleeping compartment comprising:

a floor (20) with lateral portions and a pair of sidewalls (22) extending upwardly from said lateral portions of said floor;

a rear wall assembly (86, 86', 86'') connected to an aft end of said floor and sidewalls; a stowable member selected from the group consisting of:

a) a seat (60) mounted on one of said sidewalls and including a seat back (64) fixed to said one sidewall and a seat bottom (66) moveable from a substantially vertical stowed position adjacent said one sidewall and a substantially horizontal deployed position projecting from said one sidewall, and a seat support (34) mounted on said floor and movable from a stowed position substantially flush with said floor to a deployed position protruding upwardly from said floor to support said seat bottom in said deployed position;

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b) a bed (96, 96") with a sleeping surface mounted on said rear wall assembly for movement between a stowed position where said sleeping surface is oriented vertically and a deployed position where said sleeping surface is oriented horizontally.

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